

Claim # 172 Ben McQueen

Claim No. 172.

Under Article 4. Treaty of 14th. June 1866.  
with Creek Indians.

The undersigned, Ben. McQueen, Aged  
42. a Freedman of the Creek Nation & loyal Refugee,  
being duly sworn and examined, deposes and says:

~~~~~ About the month of September 1863,  
was living with his family on his place, 12 miles  
from North Fork Town, Creek Nation, when the  
Scouts of the Guerrilla Quatrell appeared in his  
neighborhood robbing and murdering all the  
negroes they could find: that, to save the lives of his  
family and himself, he hastily fled away, and  
taking his family with him went, with other refugees,  
to Kansas, where he remained until the close of  
the War, and returned to the Creek Nation. Further:  
at the time of his flight from home as aforesaid, he  
owned and possessed, and necessarily abandoned and  
lost all the property hereinafter named: to wit:

|     |                                              |              |           |
|-----|----------------------------------------------|--------------|-----------|
| 1   | One Saddle Horse (Indian)                    | Valued at    | \$ 80.00  |
| 8   | Eight head of Cattle                         | at \$15 each | 120.00    |
| 50  | Fifty head of Hogs                           | " \$5. "     | 250.00    |
| 150 | One hundred and fifty bushels Corn           |              | 150.00    |
|     | Horse and Kitchen Furniture &c               |              | 50.00     |
|     | making a total value of                      |              | \$ 650.00 |
|     | Six hundred and fifty dollars.               |              | ~~~~~     |
|     | and this deponent never afterwards recovered |              |           |



the same, or any part thereof: ~~~~~

~~~~~ Further this deponent saith not.

Ben. McQueen

his  
X  
mark

Subscribed & Sworn to before me at the Creek  
Agency Co. N. this 13<sup>th</sup> of November A.D. 1869.

*[Signature]*  
Notary Public for the State of Texas  
Southern District

The undersigned, Walter Grayson,  
a Creek Indian, and James Dubner,  
a Free man of Color of the Creek nation,  
being duly examined and sworn, (they,  
both, understanding and conversing  
in the English language,) do depose  
and say. They are not interested in  
the claim of the above named Ben. Mc  
Queen in any pecuniary manner what-  
ever; that they have heard the foregoing  
affidavit read to them, and know its con-  
tents to be correct and true in every particular.  
And these deponents further say: They  
know, of their own knowledge, that at the  
time of his flight from home, as aforesaid,  
the claimant herein did own and possess  
and did necessarily abandon and lose all



all the property set forth in the above deposition,  
Further these deponents do not say

Walter Grayson.

James Suabner

his  
mark  
his  
mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me at the Creek  
Agency. On this 13<sup>th</sup> of November A.D. 1869.

~~Walter Grayson~~  
~~James Suabner~~  
Southern Supt

#### Awards

The loss of property specified above is deemed Estab-  
lished by the foregoing testimony. Also, the status of  
claimant. The amount claimed, however, is, in some  
instances, considered excessive. Upon inquiry, it is  
found the values of the different kinds of property, at  
the time the loss occurred, ruled as follows:-

Horses - Indian Saddle.

\$40.00 Each.

Patite:-

\$5.00 Each.

Hogs:-

2.00 "

Corn - per bushel.

.50 "

and for the following one-half the claimed  
value:-

House & Kitchen furniture, &c. -

\$25.00

In consideration of these, and all other facts,  
attainable, bearing upon the case, we believe it  
just and equitable to award this Claimant  
Ben McQueen Two hundred & eighty dollars.



\$280.<sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub>

*J. B. Agnew*

Brevet Major General U. S. Army.  
Supt. Indian Affairs - Southern Superintendency

*G. A. Child*

Captain U. S. Army.  
Creek Agency.